

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BBAK, CG, WZ, BEXP, SF

SUBJECT: BONA FIDES - ARNOLD HIGHTOWER

REF: KINSHASA 3815

1. R.L. OXLAND, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF SEA STAR COMPANY, 100 POLLY STREET, JOHANNESBURG, STATES THAT HE HAS KNOWN AND HAS DONE BUSINESS WITH HIGHTOWER SINCE MARCH 1976. HIGHTOWER DOES FREE-LANCE INTERNATIONAL TRADE LIAISON BETWEEN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN AFRICAN COUNTRIES. OXLAND SAYS THAT SEVERAL SMALLISH PROJECTS INVOLVING BOTSWANA AND ZAMBIA HAVE BEEN SUCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT. HE AND HIGHTOWER PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN COFFEE PROJECT WITH ZAIRE MENTIONED REFTEL.

2. HE REGARDS HIGHTOWER AS A CAPABLE, RELIABLE AND ENTERPRISING BUSINESSMAN, ON THE BASIS OF THEIR DEALINGS THUS FAR.

3. HIGHTOWER PROVIDED SEVERAL US REFERENCES WHICH OXLAND  
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FOLLOWED UP. THESE SEEM TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE BONA FIDES ON HIGHTOWER. FYI, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT COMPLETED A WTDR ON SEA STAR, WE HAVE ASCERTAINED FROM THEIR BANKERS THAT THE FIRM HAS A GOOD TRACK RECORD AND IS CONSIDERED GOOD FOR THEIR ITS COMMITMENTS AND BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.  
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